CHAPTER 95

(House Bill 1546)

AN ACT concerning

Howard County - Revenue Authority

Ho. Co. 8-05

FOR the purpose of authorizing Howard County to establish a revenue authority as a public corporation and body politic with certain powers, rights, and obligations. subject to certain requirements; authorizing a certain revenue authority to issue revenue bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness; exempting the bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness from taxation; defining certain terms; requiring any legislation enacted by the County to specify and provide for certain matters; making the revenue authority subject to certain State and local laws; providing that proceeds from the conveyance of any County property to the revenue authority shall be applied by the County for certain purposes; prohibiting the County from transferring to the revenue authority certain money from the general funds of the County to pay for certain financing; making the budget of the revenue authority subject to the approval of the County Executive and the County Council; requiring the revenue authority to send a certain annual report to certain persons, to keep certain books and records and make them available for inspection, and to have a certain audit done; establishing a board of directors of the revenue authority; specifying the membership, qualifications, compensation, and other related matters concerning the board of directors; authorizing the County Executive to nominate an executive director of the revenue authority; authorizing the board of directors to determine the duties, responsibilities, and compensation of the executive director; requiring the revenue authority to submit a certain annual plan to the County Executive and the County Council; making this Act severable; and generally relating to the establishment of a revenue authority in Howard County as a public corporation.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

- 1. (a) In this Act the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Board" means the board of directors of the Howard County Revenue Authority.
 - (c) "County" means Howard County.
 - (d) "Plan" means the document that:
- (1) is prepared by the revenue authority and approved by the County Executive and the County Council; and